

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A recording apparatus for titling an acquired image and recording the acquired image and a title thereof, said recording apparatus comprising:

- a storage unit prestoring therein title candidates for images and corresponding information concerning time and objects of shooting;
- a shooting time acquiring unit operable to, upon acquiring an untitled image, acquire shooting time information for the acquired untitled image;
- an object information acquiring unit operable to acquire object information for the acquired untitled image;
- a retrieving unit operable to retrieve a title candidate, among the title candidates prestored by said storage unit, that matches the shooting time information and the object information; ~~and~~
- a presentation unit operable to present character sequences, to a user as title proposals for the untitled image; ~~user~~, that are a combination of the title candidate retrieved by said retrieving unit and the shooting time information acquired by said shooting time acquiring unit; ~~unit~~;
- a title determining unit operable to determine a title of the untitled image based on the title proposals presented by said presentation unit and a user input; and
- an image storage unit operable to store the acquired image and the title determined by said title determining unit with an indication of a correspondence between the acquired image and the title, wherein
- said title determining unit determines, as the title of the image, one character sequence selected by the user from the plurality of character sequences.

2. (Previously Presented) The recording apparatus of Claim 1, wherein

- said storage unit prestores therein schedule information indicating scheduled activities of persons, together with date/times corresponding to the scheduled activities,
- the title candidates are the scheduled activities indicated in the schedule information,
- said retrieving unit detects a person from the object information acquired by said object

information acquiring unit and retrieves a scheduled activity of the detected person from the schedule information prestored by said storage unit, and

said presentation unit presents character sequences comprising the scheduled activity retrieved by said retrieving unit.

3. (Previously Presented) The recording apparatus of Claim 2, further comprising:
a personal information storage unit operable to prestore therein personal information concerning the persons, comprising an indication of gender of the persons, wherein
the title candidates include names of general yearly events,
said storage unit prestores therein information concerning gender and age of at least one of the objects for general yearly events, with each piece of the information concerning gender and age corresponding to an event name,

said retrieving unit detects a person from the object information acquired by said object information acquiring unit, and reads a piece of personal information corresponding to the detected person, from said personal information storage unit, and retrieves an event name that matches the read piece of personal information, and

said presentation unit presents character sequences containing the event name retrieved by the retrieving unit.

4. (Previously Presented) The recording apparatus of Claim 3, wherein
said personal information storage unit further prestores therein information concerning ages of the persons.

5. (Previously Presented) The recording apparatus of Claim 4, wherein
said presentation unit presents a list of title candidates, in an order of (i) a title candidate being a scheduled activity that matches the shooting time information and the object information, and (ii) one or more title candidates corresponding to one or more events in an order of a highest to a lowest correspondence level.

6. (Previously Presented) The recording apparatus of Claim 3, wherein said presentation unit presents title candidates that contain a name or an age or both the name and the age that are extracted from the personal information concerning the object in the acquired image for which said object information acquiring unit has acquired the information.

7-8. (Cancelled)

9. (Currently Amended) The recording apparatus of ~~Claim 8~~Claim 1, further comprising:

a still picture attaching unit operable to extract a still picture from the acquired image and attach the still picture to the schedule information corresponding to the scheduled activity retrieved by said retrieving unit, if the title determining unit determines one character sequence, among the character sequences containing the retrieved scheduled activity, as the title.

10. (Currently Amended) A title presentation method for presenting candidates for a title of an acquired image, said title presentation method comprising:

prestoring title candidates for images and corresponding information concerning time and objects of shooting;

acquiring shooting time information for the acquired image;

acquiring, upon acquiring an untitled image, object information for the acquired image;

retrieving a title candidate, among the prestored title candidates, that matches the acquired shooting time information and the acquired object information; and

presenting character sequences, to a user as title proposals for the untitled image, that are a combination of the retrieved title candidate and the acquired shooting time information; ~~information.~~

determining, as a title of the untitled image, one character sequence selected by the user from the plurality of character sequences; and

storing the acquired image and the determined title with an indication of a correspondence between the acquired image and the title.

11. (Currently Amended) ~~A computer-readable recording medium~~ read only memory (ROM) on which a program is recorded, causing the computer to implement a title presentation method comprising:

program code operable to cause the computer to prestore title candidates for images and corresponding information concerning time and objects of shooting;

program code operable to cause the computer to acquire shooting time information for the acquired image;

program code operable to cause the computer to acquire upon acquiring an untitled image, object information for the acquired image;

program code operable to cause the computer to retrieve a title candidate, among the title candidates prestored by said storage unit, that matches the shooting time information and the acquired object information; ~~and~~

program code operable to cause the computer to present character sequences, to a user as title proposals for the untitled image ~~user~~, that are a combination of the retrieved title candidate and the acquired shooting time information; ~~information.~~

program code operable to cause the computer to determine, as a title of the untitled image, one character sequence selected by the user from the plurality of character sequences; and
program code operable to cause the computer to store the acquired image and the determined title with an indication of a correspondence between the acquired image and the title.

12. (Currently Amended) An integrated circuit for titling an acquired image and recording the acquired image and a title, said integrated circuit comprising:

a storage unit prestoring therein title candidates for images and corresponding information concerning time and objects of shooting;

a shooting time acquiring unit operable to upon acquiring an untitled image, acquire

shooting time information for the acquired untitled image;

an object information acquiring unit operable to acquire object information for the acquired untitled image;

a retrieving unit operable to retrieve a title candidate, among the title candidates prestored by said storage unit, that matches the shooting time information and the object information;

a presentation unit operable to present character sequences, to a user as title proposals for the untitled image user, that are a combination of the title candidate retrieved by said retrieving unit and the shooting time information acquired by said shooting time acquiring unit; and

a title determining unit operable to determine a title of the untitled image based on the title proposals presented by said presentation unit and a user input; and

an image storage unit operable to store the acquired image and the title determined by said title determining unit with an indication of a correspondence between the acquired image and the title, wherein

the title determining unit determines, as the title of the image, one character sequence selected by the user from the plurality of character sequences.

~~an image data storage unit operable to store therein a title determined by the user, together with data concerning the acquired image.~~

13-14. (Cancelled)